



Invariant Theory and Superalgebras: Regional Conference

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American Mathematical Society. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Invariant Theory and Superalgebras: Regional Conference, Frank D. Grosshans, Gian-Carlo Rota, Joel A. Stein, This book brings the reader to the frontiers of research in some topics in superalgebras and symbolic method in invariant theory. Superalgebras are algebras containing positively-signed and negatively-signed variables. One of the book's major results is an extension of the standard basis theorem to superalgebras. This extension requires a rethinking of some basic concepts of linear algebra, such as matrices and coordinate systems, and may lead to an extension of the entire apparatus of linear algebra to signed modules. The authors also present the symbolic method for the invariant theory of symmetric and of skew-symmetric tensors. In both cases, the invariants are obtained from the symbolic representation by applying what the authors call the umbral operator. This operator can be used to systematically develop anticommutative analogs of concepts of algebraic geometry, and such results may ultimately turn out to be the main byproduct of this investigation. While it will be of special interest to mathematicians and physicists doing research in superalgebras, invariant theory, straightening algorithms, Young bitableaux, and Grassmann's calculus of extension, the book starts from basic principles...



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